



VA National Championship Series Week 1 Spotlight 12U Boys (9v9)

Our youngest age group in the tournament kicks off with 16 teams playing in the first round. The top eight await the results of those games for the next round. For all of the teams involved, this will be their inaugural State Cup tournament.

To begin, we have **SDOR Barca Elite** taking on **Loudoun Red**. Barca Elite will be entering the tournament with confidence coming out of their last two tournaments with no losses. Loudoun will be prepared as they participated in two March tournaments. The winner of those two teams will be looking to take on the #1 seed **Bethesda South Blue**, in the next round.

Next, we have a good match up of **Shenandoah Valley United Blue** taking on **Virginia Beach City Academy**. Underdog Virginia Beach City will be looking to knock off the #9 seed away from home in a tough match up to move on to the next round. The winner will take on **NVSC** at home next weekend.

SYA Cardinals 06B Red will be facing **FC Richmond Magic** in a quality match up. Southwestern Youth Association are away from home and looking to move on past the 12th seed, Richmond FC. **SYC Lions** will be awaiting the winner of those two in the next round.

Virginia Legacy SC Elite face **Premier Athletic Club Elite Navy**. PAC will look to test their skills against a Legacy team that will be confident entering State Cup based on their previous history of CCL League play and faring well in the CCL Adidas Invitational. Whoever comes out on top in that match up will face #4 seed **SOCA**.

Fauquier County SC United take on **New River United Blue**. NRU will be at home, but still a slight underdog in this match up against Fauquier County, who finished their Hunt Country Classic Tournament with no losses. The #3 seed **Arlington Red** waits for the winner at home in the next round.

Virginia Rush take on **Central Virginia United** at their home in a great match up. Rush fared well in the Jefferson Cup tournament, finishing with no losses. CVU will be fresh coming off the Premier Cup in March.

Next, **Team America Academy** will be playing **Braddock Road Youth Club Elite Academy**. TAFC came in third last season in their league division. They are at home playing a BRYC team that finished second in Jefferson Cup.

Last but not least, we have the winners of the St. Patrick's Day Invitational, **Fredericksburg FC Black**, facing **VIST Shenandoah FC Elite** who finished their fall season in second place. The winner of that exciting match up will take on the #2 seed, **Beach FC VBTS** in the next round.